GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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MODERNISATION OF RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have mooted fresh proposal for public- private partnership in speeding up the overall modernization of the entire Railways;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways have also entered into public-private partnership in running hi-speed trains;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the response of the private sector thereon; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Railways to speed up the ongoing railway projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): Certain areas such as development of world class stations and infrastructure projects for port connectivity through Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) etc. have been identified for possible execution through public private partnership route.

(c): No, Madam.

(d) & (e): Do not arise.

(f): A number of initiatives such as cost sharing by State Governments and utilisation of funds from Ministry of Defence and additional budgetary support for National Projects have been taken to generate additional resources to expeditiously complete the ongoing projects.